AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): An electric wire comprising:

an electrically conductive core wire;

a coating consisting of synthetic resin polyvinyl chloride for coating the core wire;

a mark formed on a part of an outer surface of the coating by allowing [[a]] an oil-soluble coloring agent to adhere to the part; and

a coating layer formed on the mark and the outer surface of the coating, the coating layer coating the mark,

wherein the coating layer consists of polyvinylalcohol.

Claim 2 (Original): The electric wire according to claim 1, wherein a thickness of the coating layer is from 0.02 mm to 0.22 mm.

Claim 3 (Original): The electric wire according to claim 1, wherein a thickness of the coating layer is from 0.023 mm to 0.22 mm.

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Claim 4 (Currently Amended): An electric wire comprising:

an electrically conductive core wire;

a coating consisting of synthetic resin polyvinyl chloride for coating the core wire;

a mark formed on a part of an outer surface of the coating by allowing [[a]] an oil-soluble coloring agent to adhere to the part; and

a coating layer formed on the mark and the outer surface of the coating, the coating layer coating the mark,

wherein the coating layer consists of <u>an</u> ethylene-vinylalcohol copolymer.

Claim 5 (Original): The electric wire according to claim 4, wherein a thickness of the coating layer is from 0.03 mm to 0.175 mm.

Claim 6 (Original): The electric wire according to claim 4, wherein a thickness of the coating layer is from 0.1 mm to 0.175 mm.